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High Liner faces \$214K in fines in U.S.

VIOLATIONS The U.S. government has proposed more than \$214,000 in fines against Nova Scotia-based High Liner Foods which is accused of violations at its New Hampshire plant.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration says inspectors found 17 violations of workplace health and safety standards at High Liner in Portsmouth.

It says most violations involved problems with an ammonia piping system used for freezing.

The company is based in Lunenburg and its U.S. brands include Fisher Boy and Sea Cuisine.

It's accused of failing to inspect and test the piping system, which OSHA says was corroded and failing to correct previous problems.

The company has 15 days to comply or contest the findings.

CEO Keith Decker says the company takes safety seriously and expects to discuss the proposed citations with OSHA.

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Detroit rocker Kid Rock was one of many acts added to the Halifax Rocks bill yesterday as Power Promotions finalized the lineup for the two-day concert on the Halifax Common.

Kid to Rock Common

Counting Crows, Daughtry also named to concert lineup

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The other half of Halifax Rocks was announced yesterday and the headliner for the Friday, July 23, show is Kid Rock.

The Detroit singer, who mixes blues-rock, funk, metal, rap and country, will take to the stage on the Halifax Common.

Joining him in the lineup are Counting Crows, Daughtry, Tonic, Jimmy Swift and the Stanfields.

Promoters already named three acts for the Saturday, July 24, show: Black Eyed Peas; Weezer; and Classified. Yesterday they added three more: Hot Hot Heat; Rich Aucoin; and

Ticket info

• Tickets for the July 23 concert go on sale Friday at 9 a.m. through Ticket Atlantic. General admission tickets are \$99, not including taxes. A weekend

pass including the July 24 concert is \$169 while VIP seating runs from \$199 to \$349. Tickets for the July 24 concert are on sale now at \$100.75, plus tax.

Chad Hatcher.

Harold MacKay with Power Promotions apologized to reporters yesterday for the delay in announcing complete details of the summer concert. He said it was difficult to line up acts, and he wouldn't say who turned him down.

"We're happy with our lineup," he said. "Some that we were chasing this year we're going to keep chasing next year."

As promised, they're delivering an act that hasn't played Halifax before, but Kid Rock was supposed to play the Metro Centre back in 2004. That show was cancelled due to "scheduling conflicts."

For the first time, promoters are offering rain insurance to encourage people to buy their tickets early. Anyone who buys their tickets before June 30 will be covered.

"If it rains any more than 20 mm of rain during the hours 7 to 10 p.m. — the headline performers — they have two options: They can stay and watch it and soak up the rain, or they can go home. In either case they get their money back."

Taxes and service charges will not be refunded.

When asked if this was a move to kick-start sluggish sales, MacKay said no, it was just an idea that happened to come together this year.

"I wish we would have thought of it last year," he said. "It's going to be quite labour intensive (if there are refunds) but I'm gambling on the fact that it might not rain."

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Teen found not criminally responsible for murder

ADRIAN LEE
for Metro Halifax

CRIME An 18-year-old male has been found not criminally responsible for the murder of a Middle Sackville woman earlier this year due to a mental disorder.

The teen, who was 17 at the time and whose identity is protected under the Youth Criminal Justice Act, was picked up by police walking naked down Sackville Drive on the afternoon of Feb. 5 after officers discovered Joy Ann Wright's body inside a home on Hewer Crescent in Middle Sackville.

The male was then charged with second-degree murder in Wright's death. Yesterday, he was deemed unfit to stand trial by Judge Pam Williams at Halifax youth court.

Dr. Aileen Brunet, a psychiatrist at the IWK Health Centre, reportedly testified the teen suffered from psychosis at the time of the killing.

The teen, who is also from Middle Sackville, will now meet with the Nova Scotia Criminal Code Review Board within the next 45 days to decide where he goes from here. The review board is responsible for performing ongoing mental health assessments on people who have been found to be not criminally responsible due to mental illness.

Until then, the boy will continue to be held at the IWK Health Centre, where he has been in custody since his arrest.

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TV's Torrens back on TV

A second season of TV With TV's Jonathan Torrens is set to premiere later this month. The Halifax actor who famously played the role of J-Roc on the hit TV series Trailer Park Boys will hit the screen for the second season of his eponymous show on TVTropolis June 12 at 11:30 p.m. The series, which has 26 new episodes added, dissects the "goings-on and goings-wrong" in the world of TV.

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Youths facing charges after teen stabbed

ATTACK Two 16-year-old youth are facing charges after a teen was stabbed on the corner of Robie and Cunard streets on Monday night.

Police say the stabbing took place around 9:30 p.m. after two groups of youth known to each other met in regards to the retrieving of a missing wallet.

The meeting led to a physical altercation, police allege, with a 17-year-old male stabbed once in the abdomen. He was taken to hospital for treatment of non-life threatening injury.

Halifax Regional Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmetter said officers arrived on scene shortly after the altercation began and two youth were arrested.

They were later charged with on various weapons and disturbance related offences.

Palmetter said more charges are possible from the incident.

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\$17M in hidden cocaine seized

Drugs were stashed inside fake ceramic tiles aboard ship, officials say

JON TATTIE
for Metro Halifax

Customs officials seized 343 kilograms of cocaine hidden in hundreds of fake ceramic tiles at the Port of Halifax, it was announced yesterday.

The cocaine, worth an estimated \$17 million on the street, was said to be tucked into dummy tiles mixed with legitimate tiles in a 20-foot marine container on a ship originating in Venezuela.

The container held 647 boxes of tiles, 76 of which contained cocaine. Officials said each fabricated tile contained two 250-gram black plastic bags sealed inside.

Officials made the seizure on Nov. 9, but announced it after the arrest of Michel Safar, 47, in Montreal yesterday morning.

Safar faces charges of possession of cocaine for the purposes of trafficking and the investigation continues, RCMP Staff Sgt. Alan Harding said.

"At this point we do not



Andrew LeFrank, left, and Daniel Foucher from the Canada Border Services Agency show ceramic tiles that were used to hide cocaine during a press conference yesterday. Agents seized a shipment of cocaine worth around \$17 million in a shipping container in Halifax last November. Police arrested Montreal resident Michel Safar yesterday in connection with the drugs.

believe there are any local connections to this case," Harding said.

Officers wouldn't say what triggered their search, but suspicions led them to run the tiles through X-ray machines.

"I wouldn't suggest it was out of the blue. We targeted (the ship)," said Andrew LeFrank of the Canadian Borders Security Agency.

The drugs were unloaded in Halifax with po-

lice saying they were to have been taken by truck or train to Montreal.

"I'd say this is a pretty significant concealment method," said LeFrank. "It would have taken a fair amount of effort to do

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Andrew LeFrank, CBSA this."

Officials wouldn't say if Safar, who was described as a businessman, was part of an organized crime gang, but did say more arrests were expected.

"To use a national port and bring a container in certainly requires some coordination," LeFrank said.

Police said there was no indication the ship or other transport companies were aware of the hidden cargo.

Harding said a kilogram of cocaine sells for about \$50,000 in Halifax. "It's certainly on the higher end of cocaine seizures," he said.

Safar will appear in court today to face charges of possession and trafficking.

Russell to be sentenced in DUI case today

ADRIAN LEE
for Metro Halifax

TRIAL Beverlee Jayne Russell is expected to learn her fate today for being impaired behind the wheel and causing the death of a Cole Harbour man and injuring several others.

The 54-year-old Cole Harbour resident is scheduled to have her sentencing hearing this morning at Dartmouth provincial court.

On Aug. 3, 2009, Russell allegedly fled the scene of one collision before causing a second, multi-vehicle crash that claimed the life of 57-year-old retired teacher Gary Pfinder. The second crash also seriously injured two others.

Police say alcohol was a factor in both crashes.

She was arrested and charged on Aug. 10. A psychiatric assessment the following day deemed her mentally fit to stand trial.

Russell entered a guilty



Beverlee Jayne Russell is to be sentenced today in Dartmouth.

plea in Dartmouth on March 31 to one count of impaired driving causing death, three counts of impaired driving causing bodily harm, and one of failing to stop at the scene of an accident.

Impaired driving causing death carries a maxi-

mum sentence of life imprisonment. The maximum sentence of each of the other charges is 10 years.

Russell still faces other pending charges. However, they may be withdrawn at today's sentencing hearing.

Police release man without charges in Dartmouth death

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INVESTIGATION Halifax Regional Police have released the man they were questioning in relation to the killing of a 47-year-old Dartmouth man from this past weekend.

Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmetter said the man was released late Monday night without charges. He wouldn't say what, if any, relationship there was between the man and the victim, only that they were known to each other.

"We've questioned him. The grounds didn't exist to lay charges," Palmetter said.

"He was released and investigators will continue with their investigation."

Just before 3 p.m. on Sunday, police say officers were called to an apart-

ment building at 167 Victoria Rd. in Dartmouth, after receiving reports of a deceased person in a third-floor apartment.

When police arrived, they found 47-year-old Grant William Kidston dead in his two bedroom apartment.

After an investigation by the HRP's major crime unit, the death was ruled a homicide on Monday afternoon.

Few other details have been released about Kidston's death, including the cause.

Palmetter did say the victim wasn't known to police.

He also believed Kidston wasn't from the area.

"We're examining all possibilities at this time and we'll continue to keep an open mind until such time as we are able to lay a charge in the matter," Palmetter said.

Woman killed after being struck by vehicle in Yarmouth

A woman is dead after being struck by a vehicle in a crosswalk. The victim, in her 70s, was crossing at a busy intersection in Yarmouth on Monday afternoon when she was hit. She was taken to hospital but died shortly after arriving. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Hungry for a solution

Groups bring attention to the plight of food bank users

JON TATTRIE
for Metro Halifax



About 50 people gathered under grey skies outside of Province House in Halifax yesterday to draw attention to Hunger Awareness Day.

They joined "hunger line-ups" in Bridgewater, Amherst, Sydney and across Canada to push the anti-poverty agenda.

Dianne Swinemar, executive director of Feed Nova Scotia, said the demonstration was not about getting cans on shelves so much as getting the issues into people's minds. "Today's message is to recognize that people anywhere from infancy to senior citizens are using food banks and when we hear their stories they are compelling, they are very sad, they are very devastating," she said.

"While we're doing all we can to keep food moving out into the community, the reality is there needs



Food bank volunteers Bridgette Elias, left, and Lesley Brechin hold up signs for Hunger Awareness Day in front of Province House yesterday.

to be a change in the social assistance program, a change in the way we all respond to hunger and poverty issues."

She hoped the hunger lineups would inspire more people to "be a voice for that change."

Patti Pattenden lined up on Hollis Street just as the rain started after noon. She began volunteering with Feed Nova Scotia five years ago. "We're trying to raise

awareness for hunger in our community and the severity of it, and that it's happening locally," the Dalhousie University health student said.

She stood with Barry McNeil, who works in facility management at Saint Mary's University. He started donating money to Feed Nova Scotia a couple of years ago.

"I just wanted to be involved," he said. "To be

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Dianne Swinemar, executive director of Feed Nova Scotia

honest, a part of it was my father, who grew up without a lot of food or money in the house. I guess his story kind of stayed with me."

Feed Nova Scotia organized the events in this province and said 25 people gathered in Amherst and 50 in Sydney, while Bridgewater drew 600 people, bolstered by about 500 students and staff from Bridgewater Elementary School.

NDP: Mounties have been in touch over expense scandal

A spokesman for the provincial NDP caucus office says staff members have been contacted by RCMP investigators in the expense scandal involving a former and a current member of the legislature.

Mark Laventure would not discuss specifics, but in an email he confirms the police inquiry was not about any current NDP members.

Laventure says the party was asked about files that had been previously turned over to the legislature Speaker's Office.

The only former member of the NDP who has been in the news over his expenses is Trevor Zinck, who was kicked out of the caucus over unpaid constituency office bills, which he says have been paid.

The NDP also turned over files on Zinck to Speaker Charlie Parker, who asked auditor general Jacques Lapointe to in-



Trevor Zinck

clude them as part of his forensic audit of legislature members' expenses.

The Mounties are investigating one member of the house and four former members following the forensic investigation by Lapointe, who sent the files to police after uncovering what he describes as possible criminal wrongdoing.

Zinck's office said he was in constituency meetings yesterday and was not available for comment.

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Regis Philbin will have at least one stop on his way to a four-day remote broadcast on Prince Edward Island in July. The TV host will perform, along with his 22-piece live orchestra, a show combining singing, dancing and comedy July 9 at the new Casino New Brunswick's Entertainment Centre in Moncton. **CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN**

Shipspace Shine for a good cause



Mount Saint Vincent students give the tall ship *Silva* a cleaning yesterday as they launch the 2010 Students Union Shinerama campaign on the Halifax waterfront. Shinerama began in the 1960s and has raised millions of dollars for cystic fibrosis research.

Family to appeal in bullying case

HALIFAX A 15-year-old Nova Scotia girl and her family will appeal a judge's decision to reject a request for a publication ban in a case of alleged Facebook bullying.

One of the girl's lawyers has confirmed in an interview the social networking page, which first appeared in March under the girl's name, included a photo of her and allegedly defamatory descriptions of her appearance and sexual conduct.

The family wants a court order to find out who assembled the page.

But they also want to prevent the media from reporting on what was

Deadline

Justice Arthur LeBlanc set a two-week deadline, saying he wants the matter dealt with quickly. His suspension of his earlier decision on a publication ban expires June 16.

posted on the site and they want to protect the girl's identity to spare her further humiliation.

Last week, Justice Arthur LeBlanc of Nova Scotia Supreme Court approved a court order that would require Halifax-based Internet provider Eastlink Inc. to hand over customer information associated with

the page.

However, LeBlanc rejected the family's request for a publication ban, saying the girl's lawyer, Michelle Awad, had failed to prove her client was harmed by the appearance of the now defunct site.

Yesterday, another lawyer for the family, Jane O'Neill, confirmed they will file a notice to appeal LeBlanc's decision on the ban to the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal.

In the meantime, LeBlanc agreed the media should be prohibited from revealing the girl's identity or any details from the page.

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Lahey denies claims of abuse at orphanage

Former bishop files statement in civil lawsuit

A Roman Catholic bishop facing child pornography charges in Ontario says he never sexually abused a boy who lived at Mount Cashel orphanage in St. John's, N.L.

Raymond Lahey denies all claims of sexual assault made in a civil lawsuit filed in April by Todd Boland.

The former Mount Cashel resident has accused Lahey in court documents of simulated anal intercourse, sexual rubbing and fondling.

None of the allegations has been proven in court, and no related criminal charges have been filed.

In a three-page statement of defence filed yesterday in the Supreme Court of New-

foundland and Labrador, Lahey specifically denies "any act of fondling, frottage (sexual rubbing) and simulated anal intercourse."

The bishop also "denies that he took action, engaged in activities or did anything improper in relation to (Boland)."

He says he knew Boland between 1982 and 1985 while working as a pastoral priest at the orphanage, but denies ever abusing the boy or taking him on trips.

The bishop resigned as head of the Roman Catholic diocese of Antigonish after he was charged in September with possessing and importing child pornography. Lahey was arrested after border agents searched his



Lahey

Scandal

The Mount Cashel orphanage was closed in 1990 amid a notorious scandal by Christian Brothers who abused boys in their care.

laptop at the Ottawa airport. He is to stand trial next April in Ottawa.

Lahey wasn't at the centre of allegations surrounding the orphanage at the time, but his name was mentioned by abuse survivor Shane Earle during a related public inquiry in 1989.

Lahey and the Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's are named as defendants in the lawsuit seeking damages for pain and mental suffering.

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Diocese has \$6M of \$18M in settlement funds

DRIVE The diocese of Antigonish says it has collected about \$6 million from parishes in a drive to find \$18 million for its legal settlement with alleged victims of sexual abuse.

Rev. Paul Abbass, spokesman for the Catholic

diocese, says individual totals from parishes won't be released until the end of the settlement process.

He says parishes will soon begin selling off non-core assets to raise the remaining millions.

The diocese is trying to

raise the massive sum to cover a \$15-million class action settlement reached last year with alleged victims of sexual abuse from the 1950s to 2009.

Another \$3 million is for claims by six other people.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

HEALTH Nova Scotia drafted in some help to oversee its mental-health strategy yesterday. Michael Ungar, a social worker and family therapist with more

than 25 years of experience including as a professor at Dalhousie University's School of Social Work, will act as co-chair with Joyce McDonald,

who has 24 years of experience at the Colchester East branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association, including as executive director. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Museum reopening doors

Nova Scotia's Museum of Natural History will reopen to the public on Friday after undergoing several months of renovations with new exhibits. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Local artists getting moment in spotlight

Halifax Rocks exposure 'good step forward': Musician

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Local talent will again be heavily featured when Halifax Rocks in July.

Five of the 12 bands playing the two-day concert on the Halifax Common on July 23 and 24 are from Nova Scotia.

"We're all very excited about it," said Jon Landry of the Stanfields. "There are a lot of high-profile people on the bill and we're really pleased to be a part of that."

The Stanfields and the Jimmy Swift Band will play on July 23, opening for Kid Rock. Classified, Rich Aucoin and Chad Hatcher are scheduled for the Saturday show, opening for headliner Black Eyed Peas.

Landry said it's absolutely vital for local bands to play in a concert of this size. Last summer's Paul McCartney concert drew more than 50,000 people.

"To have local artists on the bill like Jimmy Swift and Rich Aucoin, all these people (are) trying to break through to show your own town what you've got," he said.

Landry is crossing his fingers that this kind of exposure will launch his nearly two-year-old band onto another level. They were signed to this gig just a few days ago.



The Stanfields are one of five Nova Scotia bands who will play the Halifax Rocks concert July 23-24 on the Halifax Common.

"There are a lot of people coming out and anything helps. This is a pretty good step forward for us."

Plus it's exciting to share a stage with big names like Kid Rock. Landry said he's a fan.

"You see these names growing up... you don't really associate yourself with them, so it's pretty cool."

Called "the bastard children of AC/DC and Stan Rogers" by Q104, the Stanfields are a high-energy mix of rock, Celtic and

bluegrass.

The Jimmy Swift Band is an ECMA award-winning group from Halifax. According to their website, they are a fusion of the best of rock and electronic music.

Rich Aucoin is a Halifax pop singer whose performances CBC Radio describes as "crowd karaoke meets an eight-year-old's ideal birthday party."

Acoustic soul singer Chad Hatcher toured with well-known rapper Classified.

Concert acts fail to excite some

ADRIAN LEE
for Metro Halifax

REACTION Will July's Halifax Rocks concerts rock? Based on who's performing, not everyone Metro talked to yesterday is so sure.

"It's not my style of music," said Chris MacIsaac, a 33-year-old rock fan who enjoyed last year's Kiss concert and whose ideal show would feature Judas Priest and Iron Maiden.

"Kid Rock is just more pop, I would say."

The Halifax Common has hosted artists like Paul McCartney, Kiss and the Rolling Stones, and some sensed that Power Promo-

tional Concepts, which is putting on Halifax Rocks 2010, could be sagging under the precedents of bringing in acts that appeal to everyone.

"Paul McCartney spoke to a lot of people and crosses a lot of generations, so I think that's a better choice than Kid Rock, frankly, who's just going to attract a really specific crowd, and I think he's kind of outdated," Jessica Ross, 24, said outside the Halifax public library yesterday.

"I'm not too particularly keen on that (lineup)," added Andrei Mihailiuk, 20, who plays in local folk band New Providence and who winced when he

Lineup

Friday, July 23
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 • Weezer
 • Classified
 • Hot Hot Heat
 • Rich Aucoin
 • Chad Hatcher

learned who would be headlining.

"At least Kiss has the makeup and showmanship."

But the reception isn't all negative.

"It should be good fun," said Calvin Lucas, 25, who said he'd attend the show if he wasn't working.

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Former U.S. vice-president Al Gore and his wife, Tipper, are separating after 40 years of marriage. According to an email circulated among the couple's friends and obtained by The Associated Press on yesterday, the Gores said it was "a mutual and mutually supportive decision that we have made together." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Gore, wife Tipper separating

Canada/World

Three Canadians held in flotilla raid

Foreign Affairs now says three Canadians are being detained in Israel following a military raid on a convoy of ships off the Gaza coast.

A department spokeswoman says officials are working with Israeli authorities to provide consular assistance to the Canadians, whose names were not released.

The daughter of Kevin Neish, a retired marine engineer from Victoria, has identified him as one of the three but says he should be home soon.

Jennifer Neish says Foreign Affairs has confirmed

her 53-year-old father is alive and well and will be deported from Israel within 72 hours.



Neish was aboard one of six vessels on a mission to carry humanitarian relief to the blockaded Gaza Strip.

Nine of the pro-Palestinian activists on board were killed when Israeli soldiers stormed the flotilla Monday morning.

Neish was going to re-

pair a well in a Palestinian community in Gaza but, on the ship, he was assigned to "defend" journalists in the event of a military boarding.

"Since the Israeli military always tries to seize the media first to destroy evidence, my job is to non-violently get in the way of the Israeli commandos in a narrow passageway for about 30 seconds so the journalists can upload their reports," he wrote last month on the website Dialogue with Diversity.

"It should be interesting, to say the least."

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Ottawa \$3M for girls



Beverly Oda, minister of International Co-operation, announces \$3 million in funding for the UN Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) on Parliament Hill in Ottawa yesterday.

Privacy boss to probe Street View

GOOGLE Canada's privacy commissioner will investigate how Google's street mapping project went through people's front doors and into their homes.

Jennifer Stoddart has already heard Google's confession that it accidentally eavesdropped on people's wireless networks while taking photographs for its Street View map service.

At first, the search engine giant said it was just capturing network locations but later said its cars also picked up material from home computers using those networks. Now, Stoddart says she wants to know how this happened.

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Confession sealed commander's doom

MILITARY The extraordinary confession of a corporal set in motion the bombshell revelation that ended the tenure and possibly the military career of Canada's top soldier in Afghanistan.

The unidentified soldier told a trusted confidant at the Kandahar Airfield about

her relationship with Brig-Gen. Daniel Ménard, sparking a chain of events that reached the top echelons of the military and the government. Within 24 hours, both Ménard and the soldier, a member of his staff, were on the same military transport plane, headed

back to Canada, one defence source said. In the course of a day, Ménard had gone from commanding 5,000 American and Canadian troops getting ready to launch a major offensive in southern Afghanistan to a humiliating return to Canada to face a possible court

martial. The military gave no date for his return. However, one source said his wife, Maj. Julie Fortin, who commands a logistics company at Canadian Forces Base Valcartier in Quebec, was planning to meet him when he arrived back in Canada. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

News in brief

REFUGEE REFORM

Immigration Minister Jason Kenney says he has hatched a deal with his Liberal critic to push ahead his controversial refugee reform package. In comments laden with rare compliments for his political opponent, Kenney said he is accepting all the changes put forward by Liberal

immigration critic Maurizio Bevilacqua. The \$600-million bill aims to deter fraudsters from filing refugee claims in Canada, and playing the system for years before they are sent home. At the same time, it tries to speed up the approval system for legitimate claimants.

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Gaza blockade eased after raid

MIDDLE EAST Israel and Egypt signalled a temporary easing of the Gaza Strip blockade yesterday following harsh international condemnation of the deadly Israeli raid on an aid flotilla en route to the sealed-off Palestinian territory. At the same time, Israel began expelling some of the nearly 700 activists it rounded up in the naval raid, and strongly rejected criticism that its tactics were heavy-handed.

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Gulf oil spill now a criminal investigation

CLEANUP U.S. attorney general Eric Holder said yesterday that federal authorities have opened criminal and civil investigations into the nation's worst oil spill, and BP lost billions in market value when shares dropped in the first trading day since the company failed yet again to plug the gusher.

Investors presumably realized the best chance to stop the leak was months away and there was no end in sight to the cleanup. As BP settled in for the long term, Holder announced the criminal probe, though he would not specify the companies or individuals that might be targeted. "We will closely examine the actions of those involved in the spill. If we find evidence of illegal behaviour, we will be extremely forceful in our re-

sponse," Holder said in New Orleans.

BP's hope to stanch the leak lies with two relief wells that won't be finished until at least August. The company is, however, trying another risky temporary fix to contain the oil and siphon it to the surface by sawing through the leaking pipe and putting a cap over the spill.

The cleanup, relief wells and temporary fixes were being watched closely by U.S. President Barack Obama's administration.

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Gulf Oil Spill, Hollywood edition: James Cameron shows up at cleanup meeting.

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Guatemala Giant sinkhole



A sinkhole covers a street intersection in downtown Guatemala City Monday. A day earlier, authorities blamed the heavy rains caused by tropical storm Agatha as the cause of the crater that swallowed a three-story building, but now say they will be conducting further studies to determine the cause.

News in brief

MAINE The guys who became an online sensation by creating geysers from soda and Mentos candies have discovered it's not

just entertainment — It can propel vehicles as well. A contraption created by Fritz Grobe and Stephen Voltz using a bike

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Not such an Easy Ride for Hopper

TheWestView

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"Live fast, die young, and leave a good-looking corpse."

That was legendary Hollywood star James Dean's favourite quote, and sure enough, it became a self-fulfilling

prophecy Sept. 30, 1955, when he died in a head-on crash while driving a snappy little Porsche.

Then there's Dennis Hopper.

Hopper admired James Dean, who taught him how to act: "Don't act as if you're smoking the cigarette, just smoke the cigarette."

Like his hero, Dennis Hopper was also in *Rebel Without A Cause* and *Easy Rider*, and went on to star as the icon of a later generation, Billy in *Easy Rider*.

And he starred in some

of the most powerful movies ever made, including *Apocalypse Now* and *Blue Velvet*.

But if James Dean haunted the nightmares of a generation who could not find their way after the Second World War, Hopper remains the bad dream of the baby boom.

When he died Saturday, he was the ghost of Woodstock Nation, wasted by cancer, a grim sacrifice to sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll.

This is a guy who started his career hanging out with Elvis and, 55 years

later, Jack Nicholson joined him to celebrate earning his star (finally) on Hollywood's Walk of Fame.

And in the middle he had a 15-year blackout. At one point, he drank half a gallon of rum, followed by a fifth of rum, chased with 28 beers, three grams of cocaine, not to mention a bushel of bud — every day.

He was married five times. In 1970, Michelle Phillips, one of The Mamas & The Papas, was his wife for eight days.

Dennis Hopper is what

happens to Peter Pan when he needs to grow up and can't. It took him so long that by the time he was finished, he was really finished. There was nothing pretty about the final act. At the end, he weighed 45 kilos and was in the middle of a nasty divorce with wife No. 5.

Dennis Hopper is why your mom and dad drag themselves onto the treadmill like superannuated hamsters and eat lettuce and tofu instead of steak and fries. When you look into the mirror and see

Dennis Hopper looking back at you, how scary is that?

So let's say it's your birthday. You just turned 29. And you're feeling old. That's not old. Dennis Hopper was 74. But that's not even old these days. Average life expectancy is now 80.7. Chances are you'll outlive Dennis Hopper.

Let's hope it's a happier ending.

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Word on the street: Should we get rid of the penny?

Jonathon Flemming
Halifax

A: No. Unfortunately, our tax system requires us to have pennies.

Khalehla Perrault
Halifax

A: Yes, because it's extra change to carry around. I've never really thought about it before.

Dave Denman
Halifax

A: Yeah, I guess so. I don't use them. I throw them out.

Gwoon Lee
Ottawa

A: Get rid of it. It's really pointless. You get so much change that you don't even know what to do with it.

Cody Weiss
Calgary

A: We should keep the penny. Having that currency exist is an important part of our cultural past and is an important part of the many historical symbols on coin faces.

Julia Green
Vancouver

A: Pennies are kind of annoying, but I would keep them. I really like to pay in exact change because I think not doing so just breeds more change!



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BoC bumps up interest rate

Canada first to tighten monetary policy

Borrowing costs for consumers and businesses are slated to start rising moderately after the Bank of Canada moved off its ultra-stimulative monetary policy yesterday, hiking its trendsetting interest rate a quarter point.

It was the first time in almost three years that the central bank actually raised the policy rate but it will still be regarded as a bold and perhaps risky move on the part of governor Mark Carney.

The move lifts the trendsetting overnight rate to 0.5 per cent and puts Canada first among the world's G7 leading economies to start tightening monetary policy — and it may remain out on a limb for some time.

Most analysts don't expect any others among the big seven to start raising interest rates until next year at the earliest.

The initial reaction of markets was to take the Canadian dollar down al-

0.5 Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney raised the overnight rate to 0.5 per cent, up from 0.25 per cent, where it had been since April 2009.

most a cent. It closed at 94.88 cents US.

Scotiabank economist Derek Holt said the market reaction was in line with expectations that Carney would be more "hawkish" in his statement. Instead, the bank statement seemed to cast doubt whether it would continue to raise rates or take a pause.

"Given the considerable uncertainty surrounding the outlook, any further reduction of monetary stimulus would have to be weighed carefully against domestic and global economic developments," the bank said.

Markets had already largely priced in a quarter-point hike and most analysts had forecast Carney

would keep making incremental increases for the rest of the year.

"They can have their cake and eat it too by signalling they are serious about reinforcing price stability, but they are not going to go too far out on a limb," said Holt.

The decision will likely affect financial vehicles such as variable rate mortgages and lines of credit tied to the prime rate.

But Holt said a quarter-point hike is so small that it will have little impact on borrowing behaviour.

Canadians can mitigate the higher interest rate by stretching out amortization schedules, or by paying down less principal, he explained.

The Bank of Canada also stressed that real interest rates in Canada remain exceptionally low.

"This decision still leaves considerable monetary stimulus in place," it wrote in an accompanying note.

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Business in brief

AUTOS Improving demand for General Motors vehicles built in Canada is allowing the automaker to rapidly expand capacity, the company's Canadian president said yesterday as

he announced the second major investment in a southern Ontario plant in just over a month. The automaker said it will spend \$245 million to build a new line of fuel-

efficient six-speed transmissions at its St. Catharines, Ont., plant beginning in 2012. The investment will secure 400 existing jobs.

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Steven Guggenheimer, corporate vice-president of the original equipment manufacturer division at Microsoft Corp., guides the media through a selection of products on the first day of Taiwan COMPUTEX 2010 yesterday in Taipei, Taiwan.

Big Five profits fall short of projections

BANKS Canada's five biggest banks raked in a collective \$5.01 billion in profits during the second quarter, holding steady with results from the previous period but still missing inflated analyst expectations.

The quarterly tally fell short of the \$5.09-billion profit that the group made during the first quarter of the year, when growth was starting to regain momentum on fewer bad loans and some pickup in mortgages.

However, to call the latest quarter a disappointment would be an overstatement, suggested John Kinsey, portfolio manager at Caldwell Securities.

"The first quarter was so good, unexpectedly, that it blew by all the earnings (forecasts) and that increased the expectations for the second quarter," Kinsey said in an interview yesterday.

"Expectations were a little bit too high and, on balance, I think it's shaping up as a pretty good year for the banks."

Missed expectations aside, Canada's banks actually showed significant gains when stacked to a year ago. In the comparable

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John Kinsey,
Caldwell Securities

second quarter of 2009, the five biggest banks posted a much weaker \$1.75-billion profit, dragged down by weak results across the board including losses from both Royal Bank and CIBC. Since then, loan losses have abated and the pickup in the economy has helped drive mortgages and other banking divisions, giving the banks a more solid foundation for future growth.

Yesterday, Scotiabank wrapped up the second-quarter earnings reports for Canadian banks with a record profit of nearly \$1.1 billion. Net income for the period was the equivalent of \$1.02 per share, beating analyst estimates of about 93 cents per share.

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WestJet nears deal with new U.S. airline

AIRLINES WestJet Airlines Ltd. is close to forging a new partnership with a U.S. airline as it seeks to draw more international traffic into its network.

The Calgary-based airline's CEO says the company is "just on the verge" of being able to announce something on that front, but can't provide any details yet.

Gregg Saretzky says partnerships with other airlines to sell seats on one-another's planes — called code-shares — are key to closing the gap with WestJet's chief competitor, Air Canada.

Earlier this spring, WestJet and another would-be code-share partner, Southwest Airlines, called off a deal that had been in the works for two years. A few said it signed an agreement with Delta Air Lines.

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Roy likely headed to Lewiston

Star goalie Olivier Roy appears to have played his last game with the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles. He's headed to the Lewiston Maineiacs on Friday to complete a mid-season trade for Eric Gelin. The Maineiacs may then flip Roy to the Bathurst Titan for the fifth overall draft choice. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Sports

Gallant to coach Lightning?

Saint John Sea Dogs head coach Gerard Gallant, pictured, is rumoured to be a candidate for the Tampa Bay Lightning's vacant head-coaching post. Gallant is a former NHL linemate of new Lightning general manager Steve Yzerman.

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Herd eye sniper with top pick

Source says Moose could be prepared to select Ciampini 2nd overall

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The Baie-Comeau Drakkar have laid their cards on the table: They're planning to take Michael Matheson first overall in Saturday's QMJHL draft. The Halifax Mooseheads? Not so much.

"I don't want to show my cards at all," Mooseheads head coach and general manager Cam Russell stated firmly.

Russell, who holds the second overall pick, is basically at the mercy of Drakkar general manager Steve Ahern, who has told Metro he plans to take Matheson — the consensus top pick — regardless of the highly touted defenceman's threats to play NCAA.

One source told Metro the Mooseheads are prepared to select high-scoring forward Luca Ciampini at No. 2 if Ahern follows through on his plan to take Matheson.

Ciampini, a six-foot, 190-pound left-winger who played midget AAA in Chateaugay, Que., last season, is ranked second by Central Scouting and appears to be just what the



Mooseheads head coach and general manager Cam Russell.

doctor ordered for the offensively starved Mooseheads.

He piled up 30 goals and 32 assists for 62 points in 55 games — saving his best hockey for the post-season with 12 goals in his final 19 games — and is described as a pure sniper in the mold of a Dany Heatley.

"He's probably the most skilled player in the draft,"

the source said.

"Halifax is looking for hands and offensive punch. He's a lazy player ... But when he's on he can be an impact player. I think the Mooseheads will take a chance on him."

All Russell will say is he has made his list and checked it twice.

Other players in the mix could be hard-shooting defenceman Dominic Poulin

or small, skilled forwards Frederick Gamelin and Charles Hudon.

"Picking second overall, there are two or three guys who separated themselves from everybody else," Russell said. "We're pretty confident we're going to get a pretty good hockey player. But I'm not going to put any names to that."

To say it's an important draft for the Mooseheads is an understatement. They're coming off back-to-back last-place finishes and hold their highest selection since they took forward Etienne Drapeau first overall in 1994.

Said Russell: "It's a very important part of the building process and the whole Mooseheads franchise that we select the right player."



Luca Ciampini

Matthew Wuest is attending the draft in Drummondville, Que. Follow his coverage at www.metronews.ca/qfiles and @metroqfiles on Twitter.

Halifax's Sharpe, Dalton earn athlete of the year nominations

AWARDS Halifax natives David Sharpe and Richard Dalton have been nominated for male individual athlete of the year for Sport Nova Scotia's Ricoh Sport Awards on Saturday.

Sharpe is a swimming sensation who broke or reset 40 provincial records in a 12-month span, and Dalton, a canoeist, raced in the C-2 100 metres at last year's world sprint canoe-kayak championships in Dartmouth.

The third finalist is Bridgewater's Mattias Wolter, a steeplechase athlete.

Dartmouth's Andrew Russell, another canoeist who competed in four C-2 events worlds, is up for male team athlete of the year along with Bayside soccer midfielder Derek Gaudet and Tatamagouche figure skater John Matatall.

On the women's side, sprinter Adrienne Power of Halifax and boxer Stephanie Walker of Sackville have been nominated for individual athlete of the year along with snowboarder Alexandra Duckworth of Kingsburg,



David Sharpe broke or reset 40 provincial swimming records in a 12-month span.

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North Preston's Justine Colley, who starred for the Canadian under-19 women's basketball team, Lake Echo kayaker Genevieve Orton, and Baddeck hockey standout Jessica Wong are up for team athlete of the year.

The winners of those categories, along with five others, will be announced Saturday at the 14th annual Sport Award ceremony at the World Trade and Convention Centre.

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Duffy not being shopped by Rocket: General manager

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QMJHL Ask and ye shan't receive.

At least that's the case for QMJHL general managers calling P.E.I. Rocket general manager Serge Savard Jr. in an attempt to pry 18-year-old Lower Sackville native Ben Duffy away in a trade.

Duffy, a former fifth overall pick who was a finalist for the league's rookie of the year award in 2008-09, is coming off a rough season that saw him regress offensively and only produce 11 goals and 16 assists for 27 points in 68 games.

"I'm not shopping Ben Duffy at all, but they're asking for him," Savard said.

"That tells you the value he has."



Ben Duffy, a former fifth overall pick, struggled last year, producing just 11 goals and 16 assists for 27 points in 68 games.

The five-foot-10, 190-pound former Halifax McDonald's and Dartmouth Subways major midget star struggled with the disruption of trades and a coaching change last season, Savard said.

He also said Duffy put on a significant amount of muscle in response to

scouting criticism, only to find it take away from his speed.

Savard and Rocket head coach Eric Lavigne have agreed to switch Duffy back from wing to his natural centre-ice position. They intend to give him first-line and power-play ice time.

"He'll have all the chances in the world. My coach is with me on that. We expect him to bounce back and be a big player for the Rocket."

P.E.I. Rocket GM Serge Savard Jr. speaking on Ben Duffy

"He'll have all the chances in the world," Savard said. "My coach is with me on that. We expect him to bounce back and be a big player for the Rocket."

The first QMJHL trade period of 2010-11 opens on Friday morning in Drummondville, Que., as part of draft weekend.

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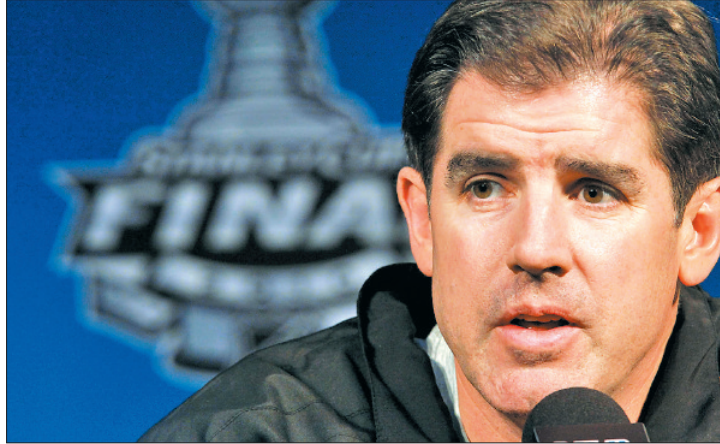
Flyers coach targets Hawks goalie

Peter Laviolette went on the offensive yesterday, questioning how long rookie Chicago netminder Antti Niemi can stay hot, while at the same time lamenting a lost chance to exploit "holes" in the Blackhawks' defence.

The Philadelphia Flyers coach was probably trying to plant doubt in the minds of the Blackhawks after Chicago took the first two games of the Stanley Cup final on home ice. They now face Games 3 and 4 in the hostile confines of the Wachovia Center.

Game 3 is set for tonight (CBC, 9 p.m.), with the Flyers looking to rebound from a pair of closely contested, one-goal losses.

"We've got to put more pressure on their goaltender," said Laviolette. "He's a rookie goaltender playing in the Stanley Cup finals."



Philadelphia Flyers head coach Peter Laviolette speaks yesterday during a news conference in Philadelphia. The Flyers and the Chicago Blackhawks face off again tonight in the Stanley Cup final.

"We have to get on the board here and put a little bit of doubt there."

If that wasn't enough, Laviolette had another

shovel of pressure to throw on the 26-year-old Niemi, who took over the No. 1 job from Cristobal Huet mid-season and has started

every playoff game for Chicago.

"Our team is capable of scoring a lot of goals — put a lot of pressure on him,"

said Laviolette. "It's a tough position, goaltending."

"He's representing a city that hasn't won a Cup in 50 years (since 1961, actually). We have to give him a crack of doubt. We can do that (Wednesday) night."

Meanwhile, the Blackhawks seem to have already shaken the Flyers' Michael Leighton, a 29-year-old journeyman with sporadic NHL experience who took over between the pipes after a string of injuries to Philadelphia goaltenders.

Leighton, who had three shutouts in the Eastern Conference final against Montreal, gave up five goals on 20 shots before he was pulled in favour of Brian Boucher in Game 1. He had a better effort in Game 2, but a questionable second goal by fourth liner Ben Eager was the difference in a 2-1 defeat.

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Soderling scores upset over Federer

FRENCH OPEN There will be a Grand Slam semifinal without Roger Federer for the first time in six years.

French Open upset specialist Robin Soderling struck again yesterday, rallying past defending champion Federer in a rainy quarter-final, 3-6, 6-3, 7-5, 6-4. That ended Federer's record streak of reaching the semifinals in 23 consecutive major events.

The shocker was the second pulled off by Soderling in as many years at Roland Garros. He ended the reign of four-time champion Rafael Nadal in the fourth round a year ago.

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Sports in brief

NBA One month from the start of the NBA's free agency frenzy, LeBron James has handicapped his field of suitors. The

Cleveland Cavaliers lead the pack. In his first interview since the Cavs' season ended, James told CNN's Larry King that

Cleveland has "an edge" to resign him. **NHL** NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly gently deflated any

hope former Hartford Whalers owner Howard Baldwin had of reviving his long-lost franchise, saying yesterday he could not

"foresee a situation where there will be another Hartford Whalers in Hartford."

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Ride with champions

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Magentis a charmer

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If you've never heard of the Kia Magentis, you're not alone. Despite the success Kia has enjoyed here in recent years, the Magentis may be one of the most obscure cars in the Canadian market.

I recently spent a week with the 2010 Magentis, a loaded SX-V6 model, which lists for \$30,795, and came away with the feeling that the biggest problem with the car is that it just doesn't get noticed.

It blends in with the crowd so much that it gets lost in the shuffle not a good thing in a mid-size segment with so many excellent automobiles like Toyota Camry, Honda Accord, Chevy Malibu, Ford Fusion and, of course, the popular Sonata.

The four-door, five-passenger Magentis starts life in LX trim with a five-speed manual transmission and a 175 hp 2.4-litre inline four-

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All in all, it's a pretty impressive entry-level pack-



The 2010 Kia Magentis is a comfortable and roomy, mid-size family sedan.

age. A five-speed automatic transmission adds \$1,200 to the price.

My tester was nicely outfitted inside with leather seats, aluminum accents and more use of chrome than in the LX. It was spacious and comfortable, but with a bit too much of a

plastic look for a \$30K-plus car.

This is more of a driver's car than the other trim lines as it has a sport-tuned suspension and steering wheel-mounted paddle shifters. I'm not sure how often drivers would use these paddle shifters, but

it's a nice touch nevertheless.

The interior appears very spacious with generous rear seat legroom, certainly on par with others in the segment. Trunk room is generous and the 60/40 split rear seats can also be folded down to add to the

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Drive one.

The 1964 Aston Martin DB5 featured in the James Bond movies Thunderball and Goldfinger will be auctioned at the RM Auction's annual Automobiles of London event later this year. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

One, two, three wheels, go!

AutoPilot

Michael Goetz

metronews.ca/autopilot

The last time I drove a three-wheeler I didn't wear a CSA-approved motorcycle helmet nor sign a five-page waiver.

But unlike my SuperCycle tricycle of long, long ago, the 2010 Can Am RS Spyder is packing a 106-hp 990-cc V-twin engine and is actually allowed on the highway. So helmet use is not only prudent, it's the law. And I'm totally OK with waivers. Believe me, if there was some way I could "waiver myself" on occasion, to protect myself from myself, I would.

Notwithstanding the waiver and the helmet requirements, the good people running this ride and drive event, tell me that

this three-wheeler is safe, safe, safe.

"The entire purpose of this three-wheel design is its inherent stability," says Ben DaPonte, a district sales manager with Bombardier Recreational Products (BRP).

"It is designed to give you the same wind in your face motorcycle experience, but with the safety features of a sports car, such as

ABS, stability

control, and traction control."

Yes, this is the same Bombardier firm from Quebec, which brought us the Ski-Doo and Sea-Doo. BRP has been making the Spyder at its Valcourt, Que., facility for three years already. (The very first Spyder RS was sold to Jay Leno.)

But you're not alone if you are suddenly more aware of them. For one thing, the company is currently running its first print and TV advertising campaign. The campaign

was precipitated around the arrival of Can-Am's new touring model, the Spyder RT.

"For the first couple of years, we never ran a single ad," notes DaPonte.

For those initial Spyder RS years, the firm's publicity efforts centred on press functions, and ride and drive events. It continues to use the

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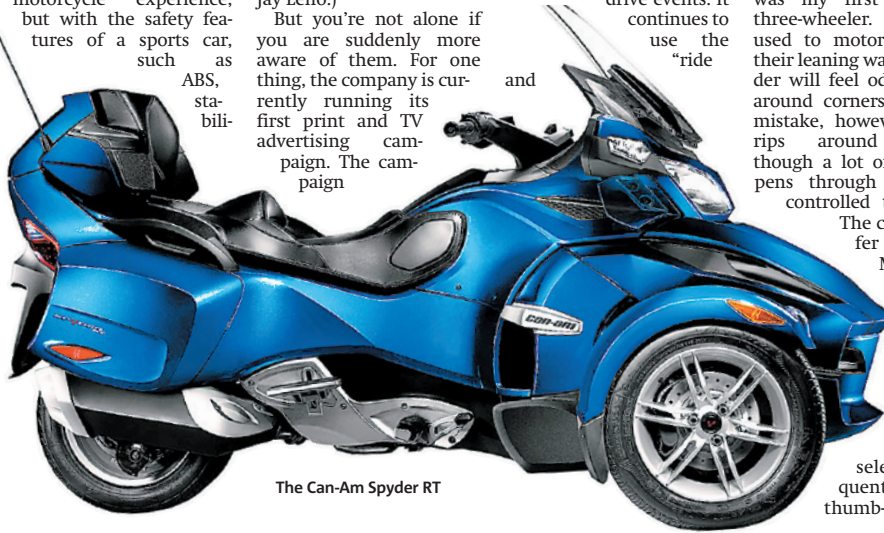
drive" lever to get the word out. I participated in their Toronto event in late May, but they're doing these right across North America all summer long (see tryspyder.com).

Sales so far, "has far exceeded our expectations," said DaPonte.

The Spyder RS I took out, was my first (powered) three-wheeler. If you're used to motorcycles and their leaning ways, the Spyder will feel oddly "level" around corners. Make no mistake, however, that it rips around corners, though a lot of that happens through computer-controlled technology. The controls differ slightly.

My tester had the optional semi-automatic transmission. No clutch. Gears are selected sequentially, via a

thumb-activated



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selector on the left handlebar. One brake pedal, by your right foot, activates all three brakes. Simple as pie.

I'm even warming up to the styling, which I initially thought was "too Ski-Doo" and seemed always to look better when there was no rider sitting on it — not quite as integrated as the rider/motorcycle oneness.

But I'll leave you with this: I'm definitely intrigued and interested, and want to take one out for a long ride.

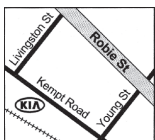
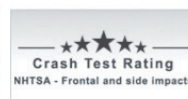
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Cavalier/Sunfire cheap to run, repair

JUSTIN PRITCHARD
for Metro Canada



MODEL: 1995 to 2005 Pontiac Sunfire / Chevrolet Cavalier
VEHICLE TYPE: Sedan / Coupe
APPROXIMATE PRICE RANGE: \$1,500 to \$5,000

HISTORY/DESCRIPTION:

The Cavalier and Sunfire were two mechanically-identical GM small sedan or coupe models sold under the Chevrolet Cobalt and Pontiac brands, respectively. Sharing the J-Body platform, these twins were eventually replaced by the Chevrolet Cobalt and Pontiac G5 Pursuit.

The Cavalier and Sunfire weren't out to set any records for refinement or performance, but they're a popular choice where price and value are concerned.

Coupe, convertible or sedan models were available with four-cylinder power and automatic or

Chevy Cavalier (pictured), along with Pontiac Sunfire, are popular options where price and value are concerned.



Second Gear

manual transmissions. With relatively plentiful selection, finding an ideal used candidate in your price range should be fairly easy.

Older machines got a low-tech 2.2 litre unit with 115 or 120 horsepower, depending on the year. This engine wasn't fancy or fast, but it was decent on fuel, simple, reliable, and cheap to repair.

Optional was a 2.4 litre four-cylinder engine with

dual overhead cams. It was employed in the sportier Cavalier Z24 and Sunfire GT models, and created 155 horsepower. Some owners argue that this is the "least" reliable engine in the model range, though it is the most powerful.

Later in life, the Cavalier and Sunfire got a new 2.2 litre, 140 horsepower ECOTEC unit that replaced both earlier engines from 2002 and onwards.

WHAT OWNERS LIKE: Own-

ers typically selected the Cavalier and Sunfire Coupe models for their sportiness and styling, with the sedan variants typically chosen for their overall sensibility.

According to many owners, the Sunfire and Cavalier were also refined and comfortable relative to their price.

WHAT OWNERS HATE: Common complaints tend to deal with unwelcomed sounds — including

squeaks and rattles, road noise and squealing brakes. Some owners wish for more power from the older 2.2 litre engine, too.

COMMON ISSUES: Start your test-drive by inspecting all interior electronics for proper operation— including power windows, the sunroof and the climate control fan speed selector. The latter should work on all speed settings, not just "high." If that's not the case, a new blower-

motor resistor is likely needed.

Does the car sound like it's got a trunk full of junk when driven over bumps? If so, worn out strut mounts are probably to blame.

Similar sound effects from the front end indicate that mechanical attention is needed, too.

Avoid a model with extensive body or powertrain modifications, and be sure to inspect the car fully for rust — including beneath the vehicle and under the carpeting in the trunk and footwells.

Finally, check the condition and level of all fluids, budgeting for a full fluid change and tune-up if you're unsure of the vehicle's service history.

THE VERDICT: As with any used car, maintenance is key. If you find a deal on a J-Body that's been well taken care of, you'll likely find it a low-cost and decently reliable ride. Just stay on top of the prescribed regular maintenance to keep it that way.

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A Parisian woman called Zoe Renault is trying to prevent Renault Cars from calling its new electric car "Zoe." The student is begging the French car manufacturer not to use her 'identity' in naming the car. **METRO WORLD NEWS**



Ford's SmartGauge can be found in the Fusion hybrid.

Ford's SmartGauge teaches green lessons

JIL MCINTOSH
for Metro Canada



You know that you should drive in a fuel-efficient manner to save gasoline, but do you always know if you're doing the best you can? Ford has made it easier with the SmartGauge,

found on the Fusion Hybrid.

The gauge, which can be programmed into one of four levels of information, was named the winner of the 2010 Best New Green Technology by the Automobile Journalists Association of Canada (AJAC) in February, along with Fusion's hybrid system.

"We designed the cluster to coach the driver to maximize fuel efficiency," says Sonya Nematollahi, Ford driving information engineering supervisor. "We did a lot of customer research and it came to this concept of coaching. Drivers don't want to be preached, but like a good coach, you're rewarding them."

Drivers are rewarded by a picture of a vine, which "grows" leaves during fuel-efficient driving. If your foot is too heavy, the leaves fall off. The picture can be shut off if it's considered too distracting, but Nematollahi says the gauge was carefully researched to avoid drawing too much attention.

"We used a virtual test that simulates road condi-

tions, and customers came in and drove it," she says.

"Through the feedback, we made changes to the gauge to make it perfect, so it won't be distracting. We studied colours that weren't too fatiguing or wouldn't wash out in the sun. It was important for the information to be very clear and concise to the driver, so they could glance down quickly, see it, and get their eyes back on the road."

Indeed, since the leaves appear in a cluster, rather than a straight line that might encourage the driver to count them, a quick glance is sufficient to judge how well you're doing.

The gauge's LCD screens can be programmed with incremental amounts of information. Especially useful is a gauge that shows how close the vehicle is to running solely on electricity: the driver can run more often on the battery if he or she knows exactly when to let off on the throttle.

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Outdoor aficionados can choose between the Forester 2.5X Outdoor Package (\$25,995 with manual transmission) and the Forester PZEV Outdoor Package (\$28,095). For driving enthusiasts, Subaru also

offers the new 2.5X Sport-tech (MSRP \$28,695 with manual transmission) with its added technology and performance features.

The Outdoor Packages include: Aerodynamic crossbars; trailer hitch; cargo tray and protective mat; retractable cargo cover and rear bumper step pad.

The new Sport-tech starts with the Forester Touring package and adds: 17-inch Forester XT type wheels; Pioneer AVIC in dash navigation/audio system with detachable touch screen.

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Queen's School of Business launches \$40-million expansion
Saturday marked the start of construction on the \$40-million expansion of Goodes Hall, home to the Queen's School of Business. The facility's namesake, former Warner-Lambert Company chairman and CEO Mel Goodes, has pledged an additional \$5 million towards the wing. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Canada gives colleges \$15M

Science and Technology Minister Gary Goodyear announced this week that 12 Canadian colleges will receive nearly \$15 million under the College and Community Innovation (CCI) Program. Launched in 2007, the CCI program enables colleges to expand research transfer activities in their communities.

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Sex and the City's economy

How to skip the recession: Look stylish and be rich, just like fans want it

Early on in *Sex and the City 2*, Charlotte, Carrie's stay-at-home-mom-on-Park-Avenue friend, is making pink-frosted cupcakes with her daughters.

One of the girls is also finger-painting, and suddenly she smacks her mom on the rear, leaving two bright red handprints on a cream-coloured Valentino skirt. "Lily!" Charlotte screams in fury. "This is VINTAGE!"

Let's leave aside the credulity-straining sight

"This isn't a documentary. I don't WANT to see a recession in this movie!"

Fan Brayden LeBlanc

of a mother — any mother — making cupcakes and supervising finger-painting in vintage Valentino. Much less in cream.

Because the scene is typical of the film in another way. Charlotte, who does-

n't work, but has a live-in nanny, is clearly not suffering a whit from the recession that's hit New York since the first film. Neither is Carrie or Miranda — nor Samantha, unless you can blame menopause on the recession.

In fact, the downturn is virtually nowhere to be seen in *Sex and the City 2* — not in the still crazy-expensive fashions worn by all four women, the spacious apartments, or the wedding that opens the movie, featuring swans, a chorus in white tie and tails, and a wedding cake dripping in crystals.

As Carrie might say, "Recession, Schmeccession!"

And most fans, if not critics, are saying: "Great! Because that's sorta what we came for."

That's how Brayden LeBlanc sees it. "Listen, movies are fantasy," said the marketing student in Los Angeles. "This isn't a documentary. I don't WANT to see a recession in this movie!"

Lindy Christopher feels the same way. Recently laid off from her job at a medical centre, she accompanied two friends at a Thursday afternoon showing of the film in midtown Manhattan.

"Everyone has a different life," said Christopher, 26. "This is their life, not mine," she said of Carrie and her friends. "It didn't bother me."

While some didn't care about the film's flaunting



Did anyone notice the complete lack of the recession in Carrie and the *Sex and the City* girls' latest movie?

of wealth, not everyone feels that way.

Kassandra Williams is holding off a while before seeing the movie. She loved the TV show in its early days, when the characters were "young and cute and trendy," she said. But she's lost interest now that they are older and wealthier.

"A lot of people that are going to watch this movie are not as rich as they are," said Williams, 35.

"It's kind of a slap in the face to them. I also don't like the message

that as long as you look cute, everything's going to fall into place."

"I thought, OK, it's a depression," explained the film's writer and director, Michael Patrick King, to the website collider.com. "In the Great Depression what did people do? And I thought extravagance. Let's put them on a big vacation."

After all, he said, "Nobody wants to see Carrie Bradshaw selling apples under a bridge. That would be just depressing."

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workology **17**

Happy workers mean a healthy bottom line

The days of company heads firing scads of entry-level employees to save a few dimes at the end of the day are over. Or at least they should be if companies with large workforces want to attain maximum profitability, according to Jody Heymann.

"There are companies around the world that have recognized the value of entry-level employees and are making it an enormous competitive advantage and a central piece of their competitive strategy," said Heymann, author of *Profit at the Bottom of the Ladder: Creating Value by Investing in Your Workforce*.

"There are also companies around the world, the majority, who still haven't figured out how to leverage the advantages you can get from 'so called' low-skilled workers," said Heymann who is a professor at McGill University and co-authored a study on the subject with research assistant Magda Barrera.

For companies to thrive employees at the bottom level must be healthy, adequately rested, well trained and motivated in their work, said Heymann. Entry-level workers carry volumes of institutional and practical knowledge that can streamline operations in most organizations, she said.

Given incentives like profit sharing opportunities, advancement or rewards workers become "very motivated to use the information and knowledge they have about operations to make the company operate more efficiently," said Heymann.



Entry-level employees are good for a company's bottom line according to author Jody Heymann.

"There are companies around the world that have recognized the value of entry-level employees and are making it an enormous competitive advantage."

Author Jody Heymann

The information was collected during a six-year period from North America, Europe, Latin America, Asia, and Africa. Workforce

sized ranged from 27 to 126,000 employees in a wide variety of sectors, including everything from technology hardware and

equipment to banking.

Heymann said that without flexibility, a living wage or benefits companies must expect to face high replacement and recruitment costs.

"When you multiply (those costs) by these extremely high turnover rates for entry-level jobs you are talking very high total expenses," she said.

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Discipline must fit crime

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Workplace misconduct may be real. But sometimes it still leads to a paid vacation.

Machine operator Martin Jazarevic had a handful of problems at his job. Working at the Oakville, Ont., factory of automotive parts supplier Schaeffler Canada, Jazarevic needed to pay attention to detail. Jazarevic had to regularly inspect his machine and ensure his work product met his employer's specifications.

For six years there were very few problems. Then, however, following the death of his wife, Jazarevic's work started to suffer. He produced non-conforming parts and was forced to participate in a coaching session to review his error. According to the company's progressive discipline policy, Jazarevic first had to be warned and then, after three more infractions in any 12 month period, he could be dismissed.

Jazarevic's errors mounted and his absenteeism rose. He continued to receive disciplinary notices and after producing more faulty parts, he was con-

fronted by his group leader to discuss his ongoing concerns. Jazarevic explained that he was having issues outside of work so he was taken to see the company's nurse who asked him to apply for short term disability and told him to see a doctor. That same day, Jazarevic was diagnosed with depression and alcohol dependency. He applied for disability and was supposed to receive pay for eight weeks.

While off work, Jazarevic was fired. Schaeffler's management decided that, since he had received four disciplinary warnings within a 12 month period, their decision was justified. Jazarevic disagreed and decided to sue.

In rejecting Schaeffler's defence, Justice Roland Haines was not impressed with its decision to dismiss an employee who had been approved for sick leave. As well, since Schaeffler claimed that it simply was relying on its policy in dismissing Jazarevic, it had to follow all of that policy's terms, which included a review of the circumstances of Jazarevic's situation before finally deciding his fate.

Canadian employers continue to allege cause for dismissal based on any perceived wrong, but the punishment must fit the crime.

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5 Cape Town World Cup pubs

No tickets, no problem — here are the best places to watch games

HEATHER BUCHAN
for Metro Toronto



Aside from boasting one of the most spectacular settings in the world — framed by the Table Mountain to the east and the Atlantic Ocean to the west — Cape Town is well populated with pubs and bars to down a pint while watching the World Cup.

Here are our top five picks to watch the beautiful game in Cape Town.

1

Mama Afrika — City Centre

Located in the heart of eclectic Long Street in the city centre, this spacious restaurant and bar has a relaxed vibe that caters to the backpacking crowd that gravitates to this area of Cape Town. Mama Afrika also boasts a 12-meter-long bar shaped like a green mamba. Musicians play live music almost every night.

(178 Long St.)

2

Den Anker Restaurant and Bar — V & A Waterfront

This buzzing pub on the waterfront with breathtaking views of Table Mountain, specialized in Belgian beers. Its best-selling



Camps Bay boasts several beachfront bars to watch the game



Long Street in Cape Town City Centre is home to a number of pubs including Mama Afrika.

Anker beer is brewed exclusively for them and is served on tap. Den Anker also offers an award-winning wine list and a conti-

mental-style bistro.

The V & A Waterfront is certainly one of the most touristy areas in Cape Town and will be packed

screens and several projector screens strategically placed throughout. This is for serious sports enthusiasts. (23 Somerset Rd.)

4

Café Caprice — Camps Bay

Situated on the beachfront promenade overlooking the Atlantic Ocean in the trendy suburb of Camps Bay, Café Caprice is a more upmarket locale to catch matches at.

But the direct beach access and the area's vibrant pulse, make it a fun spot to spend an entire day. Despite its name, it is a lively spot to throw back a few tall boys while watching the matches on the big screen TVs behind the bar. Come sunset, you'll be hard-pressed to find a seat as it's the place locals head to. (37 Victoria Rd.)

5

Fireman's Arms — City Centre

One of Cape Town's oldest pubs dating back to 1864, Fireman's offers 13 beers on tap and traditional pub grub. They're famous for their Fireman's meat pie, laden with chili. Giant screens are set up, making it a great spot to catch a match amidst old-world charm.

(25-27 Mechau Rd.)

World Cup

Safety tips

If you're heading to the South African World Cup you need to go prepared. This isn't a tourist trap and there won't be the usual comforts you are used to in resort travel. Here are some tips to keep you and your valuables safe while there.

- Pay special attention to your surroundings at all times
- Wear clothes that blend in — you don't want to stand out in the crowd
- Don't flash jewelry and other expensive items. Leave them at home.
- Leave your passports and travel documents in a safe or other secure area at your hotel
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Slide tackling Johannesburg's hotel costs

Cheap and cheerful places to rest your head during South Africa's World Cup

HEATHER BUCHAN
for Metro Canada



As World Cup fever mounts, so too are the prices of hotel rooms in Johannesburg, where the opening and closing soccer matches will be held at two new state-of-the-art stadiums — Soccer City and Ellis Park.

As a burgeoning cultural capital, this city of seven million people (known by locals as Jozi or Jo'burg) and South Africa's largest metropolis, has emerged from the dark era of apartheid with a pumping urban African culture.

If you haven't already booked your accommodation, get on it now, as many hotels, B&Bs, and hostels are already booked solid for the World Cup.

Here are a few cheap and cheerful places to stay that still have room around Johannesburg:

BOB'S BUNK HOUSE

Located in Gauteng, this



The Nelson Mandela bridge stretches across the train station in the heart of Johannesburg.

hostel is close to the airport and offers two large dormitory-style rooms, two single rooms as well as a double room with an en-suite washroom.

Room rates include a light breakfast. Double room with en-suite: \$44 Canadian
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TOWN LODGE SANDTON GRAYSTON DRIVE

This hotel is just a three-minute drive to Sandton City, the shopping and entertainment hub of Johannesburg. It's also conveniently located close to all the motorways, making it easy to get to-and-from stadiums. Boasting a swim-

ming pool, tea and coffee makers in each room, breakfast and free parking, it's a great price for what you get. Double room: \$117 Canadian

SOUTHERN SUN KATHERINE STREET

Situated in the affluent Sandton neighbourhood, this friendly hotel is within walking distance of the

Sandton City shopping centre, movie theatres, restaurants and bars. Aside from a swimming pool, it offers a foreign exchange service, complimentary 24-hour parking and an airport shuttle service. You can also enjoy meals and cocktails on a terrace overlooking landscaped gardens. Double room approximately: \$48 Canadian

AIRPORT LODGE GUEST HOUSE

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Loots, this intimate bed and breakfast is just a five-minute drive from the airport and offers free airport shuttle service. Should you like to tour the city, the couple will arrange for a car and driver at a nominal rate to take you around. An English breakfast is included in the room rate and complimentary tea and coffee are available 24 hours.

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Rock star and a hard place

KAREN BLISS
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Just how far-fetched is Get Him to the Greek, the new movie by Forgetting Sarah Marshall director Nicholas Stoller, which reprises Russell Brand's rock star character from that film?

In the comedy, which opens this Friday, record company exec Sergio Roma (Sean "P. Diddy" Combs) entrusts intern Aaron Green (Jonah Hill) with the task of getting England's Aldous Snow (Brand) to his 10-year anniversary concert at the Los Angeles Greek Theatre.

"He is rock music personified," Green notes, and the craziness ensues from your

basic all-night party antics to the ol' drug balloon up the bum trick to clear airport security (a.k.a. "candy in the jar," as Roma puts it).

Many people might think the script is over the top, but ask anyone in the music business and they'll have at least one similar story. Toronto's R.J. Guha recalls promoting a concert in the mid-'90s by Lee

Scratch Perry when the Jamaican reggae/dub legend refused to perform. "He said, 'The hotel's haunted. I'm not staying here and I'm not playing.' We had to move him from the old Ramada on Jarvis to the King Eddy for three times the price," recalls Guha.

"Then he decided to play



Jonah Hill and Russell Brand star in Get Him to the Greek.

and even then he was late, showed up and blew his whistle all night."

Record producer David Bendeth (Breaking Benjamin, Papa Roach, Hedley), a British-born Canadian now running his own studio in New Jersey, says "stuff happens" between 2

a.m. and 6 a.m. — "that's when artists get into trouble." Knowing this, he doesn't schedule any recording sessions before noon, and still they "never" start on time. "Then we have the maid open the room and we find 33 beers on the floor. That's hap-

pened like 20 times."

Cam Carpenter, who has done marketing, artist relations, publicity, marketing and A&R for the majors, recalls a misunderstanding with an English rock star when he didn't go backstage after a show. He had seen him earlier, but was later spotted hanging out with the opener. After the irate singer wailed on the label president, Carpenter had to rush to Ottawa to straighten things out.

Chances are when Roma tells Green in the movie, "Your job is to control the artist. If he's too messed up, hit him with this adrenaline needle," that no other record exec has gone to that extreme. But there might be someone out there with a story like that.



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Teen with something extra

New MTV comedy described as The Wonder Years meets Boogie Nights

From those to whom much is given, much is expected.

That even applies to the seemingly shortchanged 15-year-old RJ Berger, who sizes himself up for the audience as "scrawny and weird-looking, awkward and pale."

The hero of the new MTV scripted comedy The Hard Times of RJ Berger, he follows in a rich TV tradition of winsome misfit adolescents — kids with smarts, creativity and spunk lurking just beneath the surface of their systematic victimhood.

But RJ comes with a bonus tucked away in his boxer shorts: He's extremely well-endowed.

Thus does Hard Times raise issues that consume males from their early adolescence onward: How much is big enough? Why don't I have more? Why is life so unfair? A show aimed at teen and twentysomething guys (plus girls with their own interest in the



Actors Paul Iacono, center left, and Kara Taitz, center right, are shown in a scene from the scripted MTV comedy series The Hard Times of RJ Berger.

subject), Hard Times portrays the ultimate wish fulfillment of its primary audience, while reminding the viewer that no blessing comes without a cost.

Here is a young man whose gift (never witnessed by viewers, of course, and thus enhanced even more in the mind's eye) is plenty big enough, and then some.

And yet, doggonit, RJ's life isn't perfect. For RJ, a large

penis is as much a curse as a blessing, as much a burden as an object of pride.

As what could be described as The Wonder Years meets Boogie Nights, the 12-episode series premieres Sunday at 11 p.m. EDT following The MTV Movie Awards. It focuses on RJ's relatable misadventures in high school, as well as his relatable ambivalence about his manhood, however

much the physical evidence might scream "case closed!"

Hard Times bears a passing resemblance to HBO's Hung. In that drama series, which returns for its second season June 27, a financially struggling family man and high school teacher becomes a male prostitute.

But RJ, who is played with

understated forbearance by Paul Iacono, isn't nearly so desperate. His struggles are more those of self-acceptance and gaining acceptance of his fellow teens.

RJ is free to stew over such dilemmas in private until, in the premiere, the cat (so to speak) is out of the bag. In a wardrobe malfunction during a basketball game, his secret is exposed to the whole student body.

RJ's nerdy, marginal presence is instantly revised among all who behold him. From now on, it seems, he will be identified on campus with a blend of envy, jeering and a bit of the yuck factor. What might very well serve as an advantage is also likely to further stigmatize him.

At heart, Hard Times tells the familiar story of a little guy against the world. The message, delivered in provocative style: Size is what you make of it.

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Hard Times premieres Sunday

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6/2/10	31	31	ABC	News Center 5	World News	Inside Edition	Chronicle	The Middle	The Middle	Modern Family	Cougar Town	Happy Town
	7	7	ASN	Road to Avonlea	(DVS)	Canada's Worst Driver	22 Minutes	Old Christine	The Middle	Cold Case "Libertyville"		Happy Town
	11	11	CBC	Wheel Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	22 Minutes	Laughs	NHL Hockey: Stanley Cup Final, Game 3 - Blackhawks at Flyers				
	2	2	CBC-F	Chère Betty (HDTV) (SC)		Squelettes	L'Épicerie (N)	La Petite Séduction (N) (SC)		Bons baisers de France (SC)		
	32	32	CBS	WBZ News (N)	Evening News	Wheel Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	TBA		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: NY
	69	69	CFTM	TVA nouvelles	Sûre-sûre	Poulet-œufs or	Les Gags (SC)	Les Anges de la rénovation		Dieu Merci		TVA nouvelles
	6	6	CHIF	Entertainment	ET Canada	Wipeout (HDTV)	Couples tackle the obstacle course. (N)	To Be Announced		News Final (N)		CTV News
	9	9	CJCH	etalk	Access H.	CSI: NY (HDTV)		So You Think You Can Dance Auditions continue. (N)				
	10	10	ELTV	Swap Shop		Fishing	Au Natural	Doc Talk	Community Matters			
	36	36	FOX	Seinfeld	The Simpsons	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	So You Think You Can Dance Auditions continue. (N)				Fox First
primetime	12	12	NBC	News (N)	Nightly News	Access H.	Extra (N)	Losing It With Jillian	America's Got Talent (N)			Criss Angel
	29	29	NW	(6) Power & Politics		The Lang & O'Leary Exchange	Connect with Mark Kelley (N)	Connect with Mark Kelley (N)	CBC News: The National			National
	4	4	PBS-B	PBS NewsHour (N)		Greater Boston	Chris Botti in Boston, Part II	Andre Rieu: Radio City Music Hall: Live in New York				
	35	35	PBS-D	PBS NewsHour (N)		Business Rpt.	Stevie Europe	The Spartans				The Spartans
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	23	96	BNN	Business News	Headline	Market Call Tonight	The Close	Market Call		Squeeze Play		Business News
	18	18	CNN	Situation Room-World Blitz		John King, USA (N)	Campbell Brown (N)	Larry King Live (N)		Cooper 360		Cooper 360
	54	54	GOLF	Golf Central	Memorial	19th Hole (HDTV) (Live)	Golf Memorial Skins Game. (HDTV) From Dublin, Ohio.					
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	26	26	TREE	Guess-Jess	3rd and Bird	Backyardigans	Night Garden	Waybuloo	Toopy & Binoo	Franklin	Dino	Little Bear
	27	27	YTV	iCarly	To Be Indie	That's-Weird	Family Biz	Malcolm-Mid.	Hates Chris	8 Simple Rules	Survive This	To Be Indie
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	70	70	APTN	APTN National News (N)		Investigates	Reel Insights	Down2Earth		Canadian Geographic		Mighty River
	50	50	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live Top		10 countdown. (N)		Tiny & Toya	Tiny & Toya	Trois: The Escort (2004, Drama)		
	37	37	BRVO	Emily of New Moon		From the Spirit	Bravo/Videos	Arts & Minds	O'Reagan Files	Wingfield	Star Portraits	White Collar
family	25	25	CMT	CMT on the Beach (N)		Amer. Funniest Home Videos	Reba	Reba	According-Jim	According-Jim	Home Improve.	
	49	49	COM	Just for Laughs		Far Force	Corner Gas	Name Is Earl	The Simpsons	South Park	Lucky Louie	
	153	153	COURT	Situation Critical		Killer Next Door	Duty Calls	Criminals	Declassified		Killer, Door	
	38	38	DISC	Heavy Metal Task Force (N)		Daily Planet (N)	Mighty Ships (N)		Deadliest Catch		Mayday	
	34	48	HGTV	Holmes on Homes		House Hunters	Property Virgin	Bang, Buck	Property Shop	Flipping Out	House Hunters	Nostradamus
	46	46	HIST	Outlaw Bikers (HDTV)		Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	MysteryQuest (HDTV)		Ice Road Truckers (N)		
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	206	206	PIX	(6:15) Bend of the River		Max *** (2002, Drama) John Cusack, Leelee Sobieski.	Grands reportages (SC)	Every Second Counts (2008, Drama)	Stephen Collins.			
	67	67	RDI	RDI monde	RDI économie	24 Heures en 60 minutes	Grands reportages (SC)	Every Second Counts (2008, Drama)	Stephen Collins.			
	39	39	SHOW	Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Tom Stone (Part 1 of 6)	Every Second Counts (2008, Drama)	In Laws	End of Leash	End of Leash		
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critics' corner

Law & Order: Special Victims Unit

After a journalist is found murdered in her bed with an X carved in her cheek, Cragen (Dann Florek) remembers a similar case 30 years earlier, when the "Bedtime Butcher" murdered five women. The trail leads Benson and Stabler (Mariska Hargitay, Christopher Meloni) to a patrol cop (guest star Jaclyn Smith) and the prime suspect's jealous ex-lover (Ann-Margret) and also sends Benson on a dangerous undercover mission in "Bedtime." 11 PM on NBC



Happy Town

Clues point to the return of the elusive Magic Man in the wake of Rachel Conroy's (Amy Ackers) disappearance. Tommy (Geoff Stults) finds an unlikely ally while searching for his wife. Gruesome evidence could actually turn out to be good news for many of Haplin's families in the new episode "Slight of Hand." Sam Neill and Lauren German also star. 11:01 PM on ABC ASN

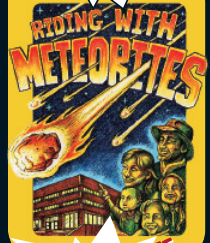
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LADY GAGA is drowning her sorrows, **JUSTIN BIEBER** comes out strongly against flight delays, **MC HAMMER** is doing traffic updates, and **COURTNEY LOVE** wants Lindsay Lohan to set the record straight.

@ladygaga In a Pub in England, ruining bar napkins with lyrics and memories. Dreams are never weak like we are, drunk or sober.
@justinbieber flight delays = not sweet.
@MCHammer Leaving Vegas Major accident on 15s in Jean, NV...
@SCourtneyLoveUK @lindsaylohan i heard something you were saying that is patently untrue and we all know it and i do NOT want to have to tell him, just stop.



METRO NEWS SERVICES

Meet the new face of Ashley Madison

PROMOTING ADULTERY TO HELP SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN, WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE? Jesse James' infamous former lover, Michelle "Bombshell" McGee, has signed a deal to star in TV ads for the pro-adultery dating site AshleyMadison.com.

In an interview with CTV's eTalk program McGee says she did so to ensure her two kids have a roof over their heads and food on the table.

The Montreal native had an 11-month affair with James — actress Sandra Bullock's soon-to-be ex-husband — and the media frenzy surrounding their relationship escalated after pictures of McGee and James emerged on the Internet in Nazi costumes.



But McGee says in the interview that she doesn't believe posing in a Nazi costume indicates any conscious display of racism or prejudice against Jews on her part.

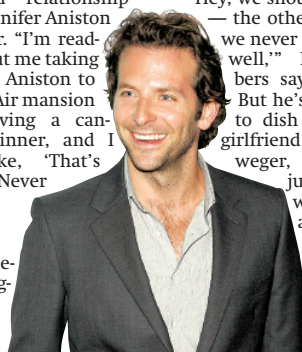
As for Bullock, McGee says the Oscar-winning actress owes her a debt of gratitude for exposing James and letting her know he cheated on her.

The first part of the interview aired Monday and concludes Tuesday.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cooper squashes Aniston rumours

NO HOLLYWOOD MATCH BETWEEN THESE TWO Bradley Cooper is finally setting the record straight on his rumored relationship with Jennifer Aniston last year. "I'm reading about me taking Jennifer Aniston to my Bel Air mansion and having a candlelit dinner, and I was like, 'That's crazy. Never happened,'" Cooper tells Details magazine.



He says the tabloid reports even gave him and the former Friends star something to joke about. "Hey, we should hang out — the other dates that we never had went so well," he remembers saying to her. But he's not willing to dish on current girlfriend Renee Zellweger, saying, "I just can't" when asked about the actress.

METRO WORLD NEWS

'I never gave up'

SIX ATTEMPTS = TWO BABIES

Celine Dion has just announced that she's pregnant, but just getting this far has already been exhausting, she admits. "I feel like I've been pregnant more than a year. I never gave up. But I can tell you that it was physically and mentally exhausting," the singer tells Montreal's Le Journal.

Dion reportedly went through six attempts at in vitro

fertilization before finally becoming impregnated with twins. And now she says she's ready to take it easy. "I do almost nothing. If you tell me I have to stay in bed, I will stay in bed until November, when the babies are born," she says. "To bring them into the world, there's nothing more important than that."

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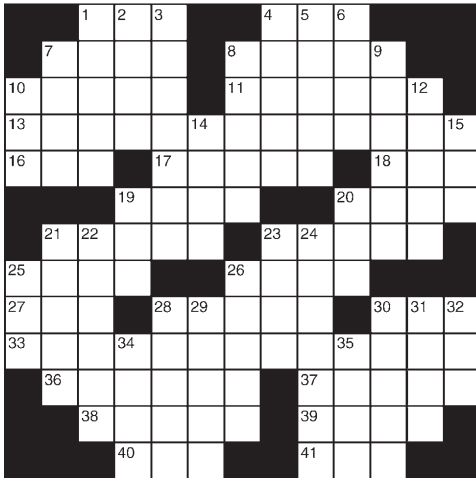
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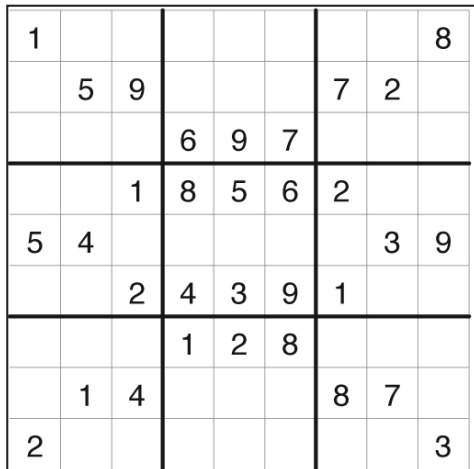
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Sudoku

For more/less challenging Sudoku puzzles, visit metronews.ca

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
There are only so many hours in a day and it is a crime to waste even one of them tormenting yourself about things that are over and done with.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You may not want to exert yourself today but you can still do something useful. Even reading a book or watching a TV program can expand your mind.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
By all means get tough with someone today, but make sure they deserve to be criticized and make sure there is no way they can turn it back on you.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
These may be challenging times for you but you are not the sort to feel sorry for yourself. The secret to success is to take action.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Keep things simple today. If you ask complicated questions you will tie yourself in knots and the answers will be just as far away as ever.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
Set yourself a tight schedule and stick to it come what may. You have a lot to get through before the end of the week. Don't fall behind in your chores.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You need to keep your wits about you today, especially when dealing with money. It's a big bad world out there, so stay sharp.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
You may be practical by nature but you also know how to enjoy yourself and with one extra special friend will enjoy your company too.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
A minor nuisance could easily develop into a major nuisance today, simply because you did not act quickly enough.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
It's okay to get a bit emotional occasionally, but it's not okay to let it get out of hand. There's no need for tears.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
You don't have to justify your beliefs to anyone, and if someone tells you otherwise today they are not to be trusted.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Don't focus on your weaknesses, focus on your strengths. Whatever it is you give most attention to that is what you attract back into your life.

This day in history

1835: P. T. Barnum and his circus start their first tour of the United States.
1925: Because of a lineup revision by Miller Huggins, Wally Pipp is replaced by Lou Gehrig at first base for the New York Yankees, beginning a streak of 2,130 consecutive games played.
1953: The coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, who was crowned Queen of the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Her Other Realms and Territories & Head of the Commonwealth, the first major international event to be televised.

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